

The liturgical color is green for the Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost		
PRELUDE	"Prelude in Classic Style" Amy Bender, organ	Gordon Young
WELCOME	Paula Langdon, liturgist	
*CALL TO WORSHIP	Come, beloved of God: into a world where blindness is not the final word, where breaking is not the end of the story. We come, bringing our cracks and fractures, trusting the One who kneels in the dust with us. Jesus takes the dirt of creation and reshapes it with living water, opening eyes, mending bodies, restoring hope. We are God’s masterpieces—broken, yet becoming whole, shattered, yet shining with grace. Come, let us worship the Healer, who makes every body a vessel of light.	
*OPENING HYMN	“Amazing Grace”	UMH 378
<i>Hymn History:</i> The words to this hymn were written by John Newton. He was born in London, England in 1725. His religious mother died when he was six and John had a difficult childhood. He joined a merchant ship at age eleven. He was later pressed (forced) into the Royal Navy. He fell in love with Mary “Polly” Catlett and left his ship to see her. He was subsequently flogged and traded to a merchant ship. He became the captain of a slave trading ship. He nearly drowned during one difficult voyage and this was the beginning of his conversion to Christianity. He married Polly and eventually left the slave trade. He became, with the encouragement of John Wesley, a Church of England Cleric. The words to Amazing Grace were originally a poem Newton wrote and read to his congregation on New Year’s Day, 1773. These words reflected his own regretful past. William Walker set Newton’s poem to music in 1835 using the tune New Britain. Newton became a leader in the abolitionist movement in England. He worked with William Wilberforce, a member of the British Parliament, to pass the Slave Trade Act of 1807 which abolished slave trade in Great Britain. Newton died months later in 1807.		
*PASSING OF THE PEACE		
OPENING PRAYER	Creator God, You formed us from the dust and called us your masterpiece. In our breaking, you do not turn away, but kneel beside us, touch us with healing, and open our eyes to new life. We confess our blindness to your presence, our fear of imperfection, our tendency to hide our cracks and wounds. Wash us in your mercy, Lord. Restore us with your Spirit’s breath. As we worship, take the broken pieces of our lives and shape them into wholeness. Make us witnesses to your light, so that in every body, in every story, your glory may be revealed. Through Jesus Christ, the One who heals and makes whole, Amen.	
<i>Children invited to stay with families or to go to Sunday School at this time</i>		
SCRIPTURE	Mark 8:14-21 – NRSV, p. 713	
ANTHEM	“Hallelujah! Thine the Glory” Chancel Choir; Bonnie Budziak, accompanist	Mary McDonald
<i>* Congregation invited to stand if able</i>		

SHARING STORIES OF GOD AT WORK THROUGH CELEBRATIONS & CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

MENTOR IN MINISTRY

SHARING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

“Like a River in My Soul”

Tim Osiek

*DOXOLOGY #94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN OF CENTERING

“Open My Eyes”

UMH 454

SCRIPTURE

John 9:1-7 CEB, p. 758

MESSAGE

“Masterpiece: EVERY Body – Breaking”
Rev. Steve Stultz Costello

*HYMN OF MISSION

“Be Thou My Vision”

UMH 451

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION SUNG RESPONSE

“Go Now In Peace”

Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true. Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen. Amen. Amen.

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POSTLUDE

“Festival Postlude”

Zipoli

Liturgy and prayers written by Pastor Steve with assistance from ChatGPT

Altar Flowers are presented by
Debi, Dale, and Mallory Lewis & Jason, Tiffany, Colin and Teagan Hughes
In Loving Memory of Tyrel Lewis, son, brother, and uncle.


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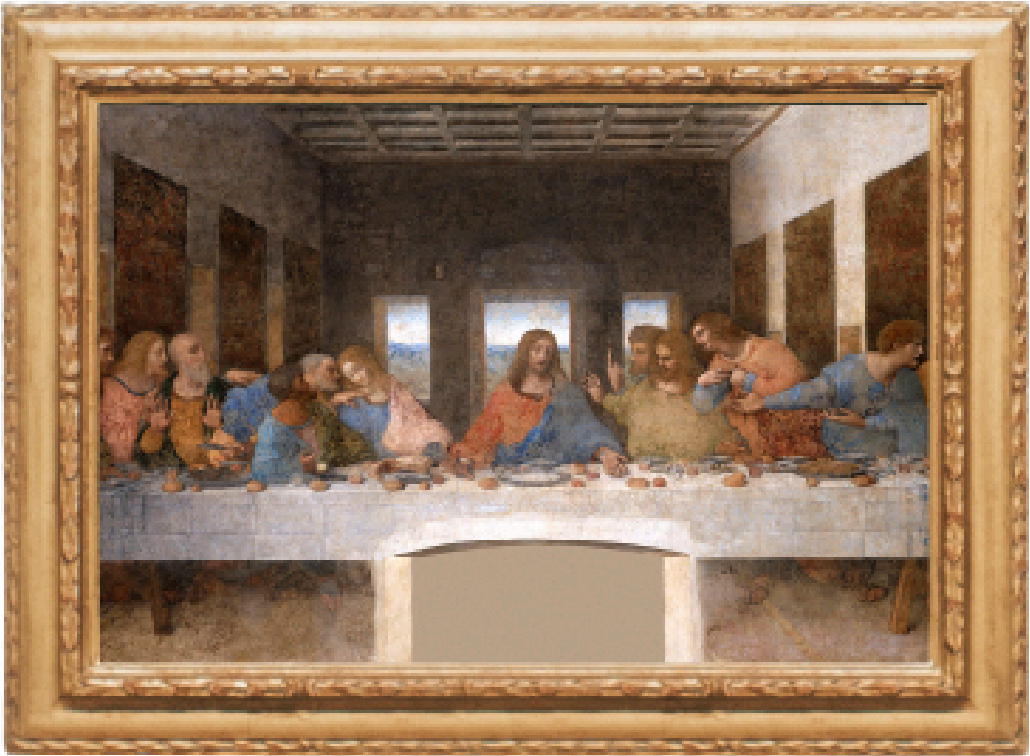
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Traditional Worship | September 21, 2025



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